The Board of Public Works met at the offices of the Board, Union Trust Building, Baltimore on May 7th, 1930.

Present:

Albert C. Ritchie, Governor. Wm. S. Gordy, Jr., Comptroller. John M. Dennis, Treasurer.

The Board of Regents of the <u>University of Maryland</u>, through Dr. Raymond A. Pearson, President of the University of Maryland, Mr. Samuel M. Shoemaker and Mr. George M. Shriver, there also being present Judge Henry D. Harlan, Mr. Calvin W. Chestnut, Mr. G. Ridgely Sappington, Mr. Charles McHenry Howard and Mr. Roger Howell, appeared before the Board and stated that there was a prospective deficiency in the operations of the Law School for the 1929-1930 year of \$1,943.07 and for the 1930-1931 year of \$23,482.59. In explanation of the prospective deficiencies it was stated that the student body had dwindled to approximately 150 men, whereas a few years ago the student body numbered approximately 600. It was further stated that the reason for the decrease was doubtless due to the tightening of the entrants requirements, the Law School being classified as a Grade A School by the American Bar Association, and the availability of another school in Baltimore where the entrants requirements were not as stringent.

The Board of Public Works was asked what should be done in view of the income from the school being inadequate to take care of the operating expenses. It was decided that the Law School should continue operating, curtailing expenses wherever possible and that the matter could be acted upon at the next Session of the Legislature, as additional funds would have to be appropriated by the Legislature if the Law School is to continue with the Grade A classification and the income/adequate to take care of the operating expenses.

The Board of Regents of the <u>University of Maryland</u> took up with the Board of Public Works the question of securing options on property in Baltimore in the block bounded by the west side of Greene Street and the south side of Redwood Street as outlined in chapter 310 of the Acts of 1929. After considerable discussion of this matter it was decided that there was no money available for the purpose of securing the options and the Governor further stated he felt that any approval he might give in a matter of this sort would be construed as committing himself to the plan of a new hospital, which he would not want to do at this time, but which he thought was a proper subject for consideration by the Legislature.

The Board of Public Works decided it was without authority to agree to the request of the Board of Regents of the University of Maryland that options be secured on the property in question.

The following letter from the Conservation Department was read and considered:

## CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT

March 22, 1930.

Mr. J. O. McCusker, Office of the Comptroller, Annapolis, Maryland.

Dear Mr. McCusker:

We partly agreed to purchase .59 of an acre of ground near our Lewistown Hatchery and erected some trout ponds on this ground. The parties, Silas P. Rice and wife, are now ready to deed the same over to us at the same price which it cost them, namely, \$50.00.

The Department is of the opinion that the State should buy it and we are, therefore, asking the approval of the Board of Public Works for that purpose.

Yours very truly,

H. H. Johnson

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Chief Clerk.

Upon motion duly made, seconded and carried, the request of the Conservation Department was approved.

The following letter from the <u>Commissioner of Motor Vehicles</u> was read and considered:

COMMISSIONER OF MOTOR VEHICLES

May 3, 1930.

Mr. J. O. McCusker Secretary Board of Public Works Annapolis, Maryland. Dear Mr. McCusker:

Attached hereto you will find report submitted to this office by Mr. Andrew B. Linhard, Investigator in which he recommends that the various cases pertaining to the Automobile Law with reference to the case of J. R. Kenly Waltemeyer in the amount of \$40.00 be recommended to the Board of Public Works with permission to charge same off our books.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Owen R.E. McGeeney
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Upon motion duly made, seconded and carried, the request of the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles was approved.

The following letter from the <u>Maryland State School for the</u>
<u>Deaf</u> was read and considered:

MARYLAND STATE SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF

April 8, 1930.

Mr. J. O. McCusker, Office of The Comptroller, Annapolis, Maryland.

My dear Mr. McCusker:

At the last meeting of the Legislature, I requested a special appropriation to cover an electric "Radioear". Under the special appropriations this item was not included, but being a very important instrument in our line of work, I have proceeded to arrange for the purchase of same with the request that you permit this amount to be drawn under the item indicated for Laundry Machinery. For the present we have eliminated the purchase of a flat work machine in the laundry, accordingly this item will cover the new washing machine and drying tumbler together with the "Radioear", as specified on the enclosed statement.

I trust this may meet with the approval of the Comptroller and the State Board.

With kind personal regards, I am

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Ignatius Bjorlee Superintendent.

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P.S. After dictating the above, I realized that the statement must be sent to the Purchasing Bureau for verification, although they placed the order. Accordingly you will kindly hold this letter until statement reaches you from the Purchasing Bureau.

Upon motion duly made, seconded and carried, the request of the School was approved.

The Secretary stated he had received a letter from the City of Annapolis, asking that payment of \$2,000.00 toward the maintenance of the Fire Department of the City of Annapolis for the fiscal year ended September 30, 1929, be paid. The Board authorized the payment of the appropriation stated, and also payment of the appropriation of \$2,000.00 for the same purpose, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1930.

The following letters from the Board of Welfare were read and considered:

## BOARD OF WELFARE

April 4th, 1930.

Mr. J.O. McCusker, Clerk, Board of Public Works, Annapolis, Maryland.

Dear Sir:-

The Board of Welfare has awarded contract as follows:

## MARYLAND PENITENTIARY

Wallace & Stebbins & Sons-

Installation of steam and exhaust pipes, etc. for #2 Skinner Engine. for \$867.00.

We are asking for your approval of the above contract. Payment to be made from the Special Loan Appropriation.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Robert D. Case Secretary.

## BOARD OF WELFARE

April 15th, 1930.

Mr. J. O. McCusker, Clerk, Board of Public Works, Annapolis, Maryland.

Dear Sir:-

Contracts have been awarded on the Remodeling of the North Cell Wing of the <u>Maryland House of Correction</u> as follows:

Plumbing - Wm. Hellbach Co. \$12,697.00 Heating - Wm. Hellbach Co. 13,393.00 Electric Wiring-Eugene I. Rosenfeld Co. 11,304.00

I will ask for the approval of the above contracts.

Very truly yours,

RDC/H

(Signed) Robert D. Case Secretary.

Upon motion duly made, seconded and carried, the contracts mentioned in the aforegoing letters were approved, payment to be made out of funds provided by the General Construction Loan of 1929.

On Motion duly seconded, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

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BE IT ORDERED, That in accordance with the Acts of 1929, Chapter 132, the Governor, Comptroller of the Treasury, and the Treasurer of the State be and they are hereby authorized and directed to advertise twice a week for four successive weeks in the Baltimore Sun and the Baltimore

News, the first insertion to bear date of July 14th, 1930, and the last insertion to bear date of August 8th, 1930, that the Treasurer will receive in the office of the Treasurer at Annapolis, Maryland, at any time up to 12 o'clock noon, on the 12th day of August, 1930 bids for \$2,443,000 bonds to be issued under the provisions of said Act; said bids to be contained in sealed envelopes appropriately endorsed, and each bid to be accompanied by a certified check upon some responsible banking institution, drawn to the order of the Treasurer of Maryland, for five per centum of the par value of the amount bid for. All bids will be opened at 12 o'clock noon on the 12th day of August, 1930.

Said bonds shall be dated the 15th day of August, 1930, and they shall bear interest at the rate of four and one-half per centum per annum, payable semi-annually on the 15th days of February and August, respectively, during the continuance of said loan. Said bonds shall be of the denomination of \$1,000 each, all shall be subject to registration as to principal, and all shall be issued with interest coupons attached and shall be delivered on the 15th day of August, 1930. The said bonds shall be issued upon the Serial Annuity Plan, as provided in said Act.

The right shall be reserved to accept one bid for all of said loan, or separate bids for parts of said loan, as may produce the highest amount; and the right shall also be reserved to accept bids which are for parts of said loan, but which may not be for all, and to reject all bids or any bids. If two or more responsible bidders shall make the same bid and each bid shall be the highest, and the certificates so bid for by such highest responsible bidders shall be in excess of the whole amount of certificates as offered for sale, then such certificates of indebtedness may be awarded in a ratable proportion to such responsible bidders bidding the same price.

The Governor, Comptroller and the Treasurer shall cause to be prepared bonds in good and sufficient form for the amount of said loan.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Secretary